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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER'S RETURN FROM UNGA

1. FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO RETURNED FROM UNGA OCTOBER 22. DURING PRESS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT, CHISSANO SAID "THINGS WENT WELL", AND MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. CHISSANO HOPED TO SEE THE COMORO ISLANDS ADMITTED TO UN AS ONE COUNTRY, AND CALLED FOR PRESSURE TO MAKE FRANCE UNDERSTAND THE "CORRECT POSITION" CONCERNING THE COMORO ISLANDS.

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B. COMMENTING ON THE ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE SECCOUNCIL, CHISSANO SAID THERE HAD BEEN DIFFICULTIES BECAUSE THE ASIATIC BLOC HAD BEEN PRESENTED WITH MORE THAN ONE CANDIDATE. ACCORDINGLY, HE HAD TROUBLE CHOOSING BECAUSE "THE COUNTRIES WITH CANDIDATES WERE OF EQUAL WEIGHT".

C. CHISSANO PRAISED THE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE ZIONISM AS A FORM OF RACISM, SAYING "THIS WAS A MEASURE WHICH COST MUCH TO PASS, BUT ONE WHICH PASSED WITH AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY. WE ARE WAITING TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY."

D. OVERALL, HE SAID, MOZAMBIQUE HAD BEEN CONCERNED WITH PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND "TOOK VERY CLEAR POSITIONS REGARDING TIMOR, ANGOLA, SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA, AND ZIMBABWE". CHISSANO SAID HE SUPPORTED THE REVOLUTION ON LATTER THREE COUNTRIES NOW IN COMMITTEE. CHISSANO PREDICTED SUCCESS FOR THE RESOLUTION, MENTIONING THE SUCCESS OF THE QUESTION ON KOREAN REUNIFICATION, AND TRUMPETED THE SOLIDARITY OF THE AFRICAN-ASIAN BLOC AND THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

E. FURTHER SUCH PROGRESSIVE POSITIONS WILL BE TAKEN IN RESPECT TO THE MID-EAST, PROBLEMS OF PEACE, AND OTHER EQUALLY IMPORTANT, HE SAID.

2. WE UNDERSTAND CHISSANO HAD TALKS IN LONDON AND DAR ES SALAAM ON RETURN TRIP.

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